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Declaration of Stanton S. Taylor
Dated January 16, 2004

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<u>Case No.: 10022/039</u>

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In re Application of)	Group Art Unit: 2172
Stanton J. Taylor)	Examiner: Jean M. Corrielus
Serial No.: 09/677,134)	
Filed: September 29, 2000)	
For: DATA MANAGEMENT) FOR NETCENTRIC) COMPUTING SYSTEMS)	

DECLARATION OF PRIOR INVENTION IN THE UNITED STATES TO OVERCOME CITED PATENTS (37 C.F.R. § 1.131)

I, Stanton J. Taylor, do hereby humbly declare and state as follows:

1.   I am the sole inventor of the present application.

2.   This declaration is to establish invention in the United States of the subject matter embodied in claims 1-41 of this application at a date prior to July 30, 1999, which is the earliest effective date of U.S. Patent No. 6,523,027. In addition, this declaration is to establish invention in the United States of the invention embodied in claims 1-41 of this application at a date prior to August 31, 1999, which is the earliest effective date of U.S. Patent No. 6,529,948.

3.   Each and every feature of the claimed invention as disclosed in claims 1-41 of the present application were conceived prior to the effective dates of July 30, 1999 and August 31, 1999 and are supported by and based on a book entitled Netcentric and Client/Server Computing – A Practical Guide, which was published by Auerbach on December 18, 1998. I am a listed author of this book. Attached as Exhibit A is a printout from Amazon.com that sets forth the publication date of the

book as December 18, 1998. Auerbach is an imprint of CRC Press LLC, which is located at 2000 Corporate Boulevard N.W., Boca Raton, Florida 33431. As such, a date of conception of the invention embodied in claims 1-41 of this application can be established at least as early as December 18, 1998.

4. The features of the invention disclosed in claims 1-41 are supported by the concepts, ideas, etc. included in at least Chapters 1-3 and 17-18 of the book entitled "Netcentric and Client/Server Computing."

5. The contents of the book were filed as a U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/156,962 on October 1, 1999 and entitled Netcentric and Client/Server Computing. As such, constructive reduction to practice of the invention embodied in claims 1-41 can be established as of the filing date of the provisional application. The present utility application was subsequently filed on September 29, 2000 and claims priority from the provisional application set forth above.

6. During the period between December 18, 1998 and the filing of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/156,962 on October 1, 1999, I was actively and diligently involved in construction and testing of concepts and working embodiments of the invention.

7. The invention disclosed by claims 1-41 of this application was conceived at least as early as December 18, 1998, which is a date earlier than the effective date of either of the cited references.
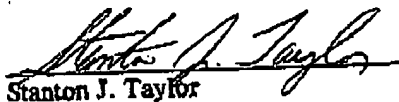
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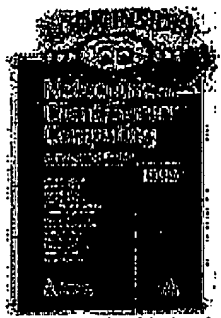
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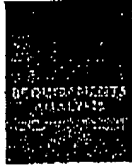
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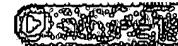
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